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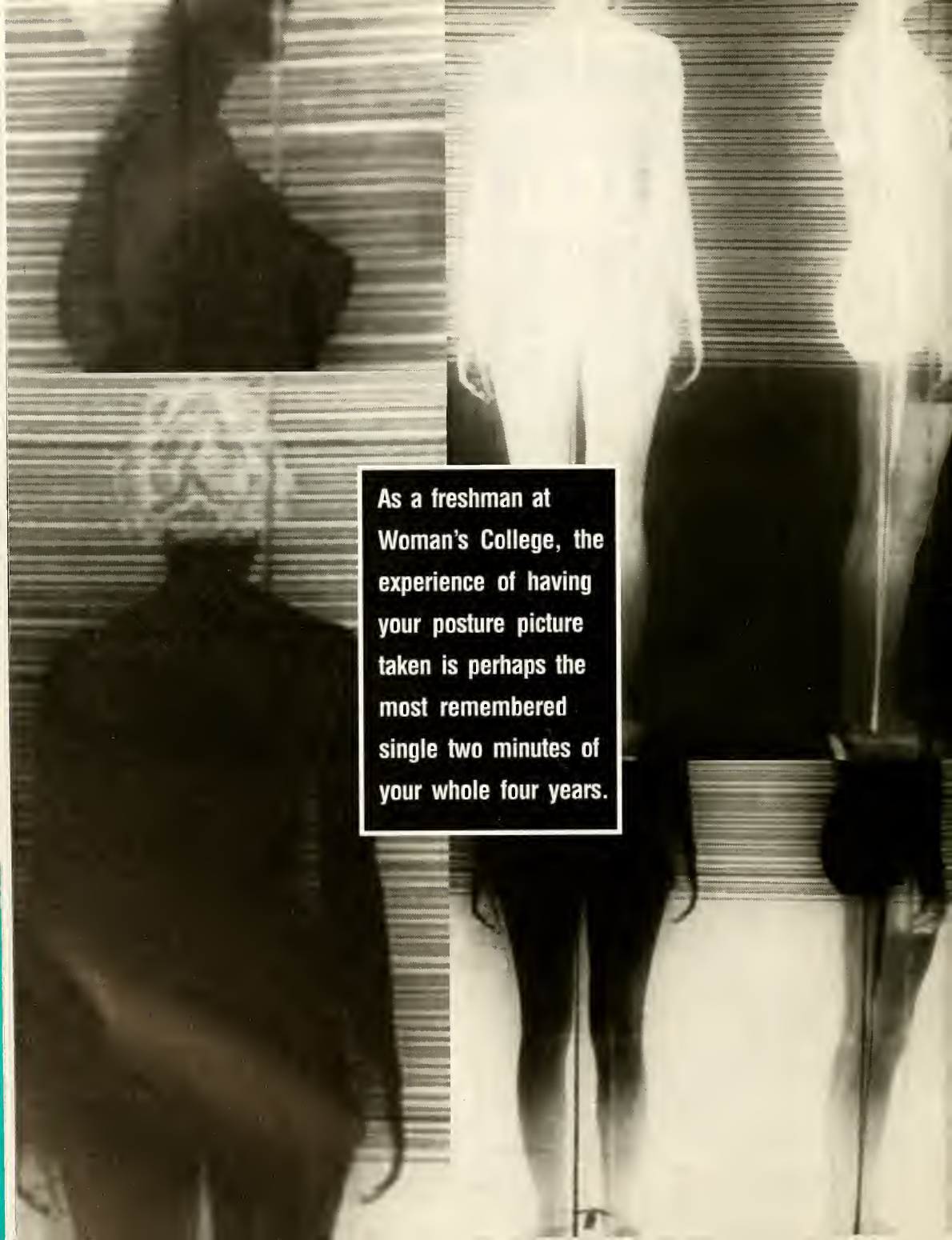
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As a freshman at  
Woman's College, the  
experience of having  
your posture picture  
taken is perhaps the  
most remembered  
single two minutes of  
your whole four years.

No doubt many of you have read of the minor national brouhaha over posture pictures sparked by a cover article in the *New York Times Magazine* of January 15, 1995, written by Ron Rosenbaum. To summarize briefly for you who may have missed the article and subsequent Associated Press stories in newspapers everywhere: It seems that thousands of posture pictures, taken of mostly Ivy League college freshmen in the 1930s through the 1960s and collected by Dr. W.H. Sheldon for his anthropometric studies, have been found in a dusty basement room in the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, DC.

across the nation among (mostly) retired physical education faculty who have had some wonderful chuckles remembering their days of being both the "victims" and the "perpetrators" of the infamous ritual of posture pictures. Here at UNCG, the Chancellor has received at least one letter, and there have been numerous inquiries to the Exercise and Sport Science Department and former faculty members asking if our University has a cache of posture pictures hidden away or if their freshman portrait is also resting in the Smithsonian. It is clear from conversations I have had and alumnae inquiries that, though thirty or

class that day conditioned by the myths that upperclassmen took great delight in perpetuating: "They put you in a dark room, stripped naked, put metal things on your spine, and take full-length pictures: Front, back and side views." "The whole physical education faculty sees you." "If you fail your posture picture, they make you take exercises and then they take more pictures." "A few years ago, some students from Carolina stole the pictures and passed them around the fraternities in Chapel Hill." "Be sure to stand up straight, pull in your tummy and bend your knees slightly so you can pass the first time."

# Is Your Posture Picture in the Smithsonian?

BY BETSY UMSTEAD '49

*Faculty Emerita, Department of Exercise and Sport Science*

In his article, titled "The Great Ivy League Nude Posture Photo Scandal," Rosenbaum sensationalized the story with the speculation that many now-famous people — such as Hillary Rodham Clinton, George Bush, Diane Sawyer, Sally Quinn, and others who attended these colleges in that time period — were victims of a "bizarre ritual"; these members of the "nation's young elite," we are told, were NOT subject to being "exposed posing in the nude with all their spinal curves, unsymmetrical shoulders and hips and protruding abdomens bared to the world." Thank goodness.

Telephones have been ringing

forty or even fifty years have passed, you have not forgotten your participation in the "bizarre ritual."

As a freshman at Woman's College, the experience of having your posture picture taken is perhaps the most remembered single two minutes of your whole four years. Universally it seems to be remembered as an embarrassing and altogether unpleasant episode in the array of all the new experiences encountered by freshmen in college. Perhaps you were completely surprised by the announcement of your physical education instructor that "today is posture picture day." But more than likely you arrived in

Apparently the myths were present in all colleges where posture pictures were taken. Rosenbaum reports that Dick Cavett once insulted a whole generation of Vassar students when he related in a speech that one year a batch of stolen Vassar posture pictures showed up for sale in the red-light district of New Haven — and they found no buyers!

With all the inquiries and agonizing stories of the posture picture ordeal, it seemed appropriate that someone should write about what happened at the Woman's College and perhaps answer some of the questions prompted by the recent publicity. There are few records here

at the University detailing exact dates or how the picture-taking procedures changed over the years. Most of the information I have has come from my own memories and those of retired colleagues in the physical education department and a few written documents.

The importance of posture and good body mechanics was emphasized in the physical education program from its earliest days at the State Normal and Industrial School. In the first annual catalog (1893) a discussion of the use of the gymnasium (an exercise room in Foust Building) noted that after only four and one-half months:

... the benefit to the students was most marked. Many chests increased in girth, shoulders straightened, arms became stronger and the general bearing much improved.

In the second catalog (1893-94) the stated aims of the Department of Physical Culture said:

The aim of the work in Physical Education is to correct careless physical habits, develop the body symmetrically, and give to the student that erect, strong, reliant, dignified and graceful carriage and deportment, that always characterize the cultured woman.

It had been my belief that posture pictures were probably not taken until sometime in the 1920s or 30s, but our excellent staff in University Archives at Jackson Library dug out evidence to the contrary. Betty Carter remembered seeing a letter in Dr. Foust's papers from an irate woman in Charlotte writing in behalf of her mother and her sister, who was a freshman at State Normal College. The letter was written to Dr. Anna Gove, the college physician, dated November 18, 1910:

Dear Dr. Gove:  
I have just received a letter

from My Mother, Mrs. \_\_\_\_ of Lenoir, NC enclosing a letter from my sister, C \_\_\_\_, who is a boarding student. ... The matter referred to in this letter from C \_\_\_\_ is so disgraceful and outrageous that it is almost impossible to believe that such an occurrence could take place at an institution with the standing of the Normal College. ... and did I not know it to be a fact I could not believe it.

... C \_\_\_\_ writes my Mother that you compelled her to completely undress before several people and then made perfectly nude pictures of her. This was done against her protest, which makes the matter even worse, if such a thing is possible. I have no words to express the indignation felt by my Mother, Father and all of our family.

... This matter, about which I have written you fully has naturally disgusted her and my Mother and all of us with the College and everything connected with it, and Mama says she will take C \_\_\_\_ home immediately.

... If you care to talk with me about this matter, I will be glad to call on you at any hour you may designate ...

... I will thank you to write my Mother as well as myself, here, and advise whether or not it is your intention to make more or these pictures, and to use the ones already made. If such is your intention, we wish to take immediate steps to see that it is not done ...

The correspondent apparently did meet with Dr. Gove and later wrote Dr. Foust that she received a satisfactory explanation and C \_\_\_\_ would not be leaving the College.

We can assume that as early as 1910 Dr. Gove was employing the most up-to-date and professionally accepted methods of evaluating the health of the students of State Normal College. The practice continued until the early 1960s, perhaps when

Woman's College admitted male students. Posture pictures were presumably discontinued because of increased enrollment, cost of time and equipment, and because there were some changes in the philosophy of physical education, focusing less on health and more on the learning of skills. Also, there was no strong evidence that efforts to change postural structure and habits are truly effective.

Postural exams were always a part of the program and, though there are no details of posture pictures at the time Mary Channing Coleman became department head in 1920, the record shows that she continued to place importance on posture evaluation. In a letter to Mr. Livers, the college business manager, she wrote in 1925:

I wish very much that we might have the windows in the Corrective Room screened with wire netting ... we have been much handicapped by the flies annoying the girls when we are trying to examine. Not only is this a great nuisance, but it is impossible to judge accurately the extent of lateral curvature when the subject is constantly moving to escape the flies.

Mary Coleman was a graduate of the teacher training program in physical education at Wellesley College which was at that time the most prestigious school where women could get such training. Wellesley was a pioneer in the taking and evaluation of posture pictures, so it is natural to believe that Miss Coleman would have brought these techniques to NCCW. As the College developed into a large nationally recognized college for women, we were sometimes compared to the elite Seven Sisters of the Ivy League. You can bet that if Wellesley, Vassar, and Pembroke were taking posture pictures, we were taking them, too.

By 1940, the physical education department was publishing a bound



syllabus which was given to all freshmen. The syllabus detailed the physical education major curriculum and course offerings for all students. In addition, it gave a comprehensive explanation of the posture picture process and the method of evaluation of the picture.

The syllabus was used in a six-week "Orientation to Physical Education" course required of all freshmen enrolled in physical education. The detailed information about the posture pictures along with class discussion helped explain why posture pictures were taken, the process of the picture-taking, and how they were used to benefit each student.

The collective memory of my faculty colleagues says that in spite of the faulty recollection of some of you, pictures were never taken of nude subjects. Students wore their underpants, and sometimes their bras or a rolled-down tank suit. Only back and side views were taken — never frontal views.

In a recent telephone conversation with me, Rose Zimmerman Post '48, a distinguished Salisbury, NC, newspaperwoman, vows her posture picture was taken in the nude, and she remembers it as a devastatingly traumatic experience. She even credits the start of her newspaper career to a satirical letter she wrote to her parents detailing the experience. Her friend, a *Carolinian* editor who saw the letter, immediately recruited her to write features for the *Carolinian*, and she has been writing newspaper features ever since.

Photos were taken by a large, ancient box-type camera, on a light-sensitive paper about 6 by 8 inches. The paper produced a grainy positive silhouette which appeared as a shadowy picture unrecognizable to anyone except the subject herself. No negatives were made. Subjects were numerically coded, and no names ever appeared on the pictures. Pic-

tures were placed in envelopes with the student's name and the posture picture grade.

Early on, pictures were subjectively graded by faculty members using gross parameters for deviations. Later, grades were assigned to the pictures according to systems developed at Wellesley College and the University of Wisconsin. Numerical scores were computed for the alignment of different body segments: Head, chest, abdomen, back, shoulders, and hips. Markers placed on the subject's body and aluminum strips on each vertebra were used to calculate these alignments. A separate calculation was done for the back, determining lateral spinal curvature.

Pictures with grades were returned to students, and each student had an opportunity to review her picture with a faculty member. If a student did not "pass" her posture picture, she was required to take a corrective body mechanics course the next semester. Students found to have serious postural problems were urged to consult their physicians. Faculty remember that occasionally a student would refuse to have her picture taken on religious grounds, in which case she was not required to do so.

In the 1950s when self-developing film became available, some posture pictures were taken with a Polaroid camera. This reduced considerably the time faculty had previously spent in developing pictures. These were not as satisfactory to some, however; the picture was not only smaller, but the subject was also more recognizable.

The posture pictures recently found at the Smithsonian were collected by Dr. W.H. Sheldon of Columbia University. Dr. Sheldon received permission to photograph thousands of students for his study. He used the photographs to construct a system of somatotyping — categorizing human body types into three groups: Endomorphs (short, stocky),

Mesomorphs (medium), and Ectomorphs (tall and lean). Perhaps you remember these terms from your Physical Education Orientation class. As physical education majors, we had to learn about Dr. Sheldon's studies, but I never understood what purpose there was in knowing you were an Endo, Meso, or Ecto. Apparently no one else has figured this out either, because Sheldon's purported aims of eventually linking body type with personality characteristics was largely discredited as pseudo-science and never led anywhere.

Rosenbaum, in his article, accuses Sheldon of liaisons with others studying eugenics and, along with the Nazis, trying to define a master race.

Although we studied Sheldon's work, I can allay your fears, dear alumnae, that Woman's College DID NOT take part in his studies. No, your posture picture is not archived in the Smithsonian. Well, you ask, if not in the Smithsonian, where IS my posture picture? I am also happy to inform you that I have personally disposed of the posture pictures which were in the possession of the Physical Education Department. Some had been destroyed in previous years, but when we did some house-cleaning in preparation for our move out of Coleman and Rosenthal gyms when the new building was under construction, I found boxes of posture pictures and knew they should be destroyed. I brought them home, but having no place to burn them at my apartment and unwilling to consign them to my apartment's dumpster, I took them to my camp in Durham and burned them in my garden. So, there is your answer. That freshman posture picture will not turn up to haunt you — ever.

Being the history packrat that I am, however, I did save one picture for University Archives where it now rests in an acid-proof box in its envelope with the name obliterated. It's the one printed on page 2. That's not *you*, is it?

# Burn Specialist Works from the

BY JAMIE KRITZER

**W**hen the victims began arriving at UNC Hospitals burn center after the crash at Pope Air Force Base last March, Ernie Grant took the first patient through the door. It was a man whose outcome was already known.

"He had 100 percent, full-thickness burns, which means we couldn't graft skin from any other parts of his body," said Anita Maready-Fields, clinical nurse supervisor for the center. "His heart had already stopped once along the way."

Grant, a nurse who specializes in burns, stayed beside this dying patient from the late afternoon until early morning, consoling him, giving him drugs to ease his pain until he died.

"We had to beg Ernie to go home," Maready-Fields said. "We basically had to ask him to leave, but he said he couldn't do it. He said he had started this, and he wanted to see it through."

It was a day that tested everyone at the burn unit, but Grant, recently named Medical Surgical Nurse of the Year by the state nurses association, said he couldn't let the man die alone.

"I don't think I would want a nurse taking care of me who was not emotionally involved," Grant said. "Even if it's somebody whom you know is going to die, nobody should die alone."

Of the ten men shipped in from Pope after the plane crash, seven eventually died as nurses and



Ernie Grant, a nurse at UNC Hospitals, tends to burn victim Levern Brown. Grant also teaches classes

physicians tended to them. That day, his colleagues and supervisors say, took its toll on everyone, but it was typical of Grant's approach to nursing.

With his 6-foot-6-inch frame, a head of dark, frazzled hair and a goatee, he often looks more like an out-of-script pirate than a nurse making the rounds at UNC Hospitals.

But behind his commanding appearance is a man with a teddy

bear personality. And in a profession not often associated with men, he has what his colleagues say are some of the best nursing skills in the state.

As a nursing education clinician, Grant divides his time between working with patients in the N.C. Jaycees Burn Center and teaching seminars throughout North Carolina.

"The burn center would not be the same without him," said H.D. Peterson, the center's director and a professor of surgery at The Univer-



# Heart



**Ernest J. Grant '93 MSN has what his colleagues say are some of the best nursing skills in the state.**



Photo by Mal Nathanson of The News & Observer

burn prevention.

sity of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

As a burn nurse, he is a rare breed, said Maready Fields. "You're an expert in a field that not many people know too much about even if they think they do."

It's also a tough job emotionally. But if the work ever gets to Grant, he rarely lets on.

"We do cry a lot up here, and we vent a lot up here," Maready-Fields said. "Ernie is just like everybody's rock. He's always there, and when I

say always there, I mean *always* there."

Grant also likes to pull pranks on friends and patients at the center. Since patients often see him wearing either his medical blue scrubs or a lengthy, white gown around the burn center, the 36-year-old likes to joke that he has a twin named Juan, who also works in the center. He has successfully fooled patients for a few days with his prank, he said.

When he's not caring for patients, Grant is usually lecturing or training nursing students and pre-hospital personnel about burn care. Some days, he logs several hundred miles taking his duties statewide.

In all, he speaks to about forty-five nursing classes a year. He also works with fire departments, the Jaycees, and a number of national organizations to promote burn prevention.

But the one program he loves is "Learn Not to Burn," devoted to teaching fire- and burn-prevention to fourth graders throughout the state's public schools.

Grant instructs students and gives teachers methods to integrate the program into their everyday classwork. The program reaches about 100,000 children in 97 percent of the elementary schools in the state, Grant said.

The most enjoyable part of the program, he said, is seeing youngsters react to his appearance. As part of the gig, either he or the 5-foot tall woman he works with will dress up as a Dalmatian in a "Sparky" suit, complete with a giant, black-spotted head. Sometimes, the two will switch roles during a break in their visit.

"It's really weird for kids to see this really tall Sparky," he said. "It's the highlight of my year."

Grant, a Swannanoa native, went to the same high school as professional basketball standout Brad Daugherty. But he says he was always more into academics than sports. With some steering from his guidance counselor, he began considering nursing before he graduated from high school.

His biggest inspiration to care for others, Grant said, came from his mom, who raised him and six other children after their father died when Grant was young.

After high school, he went to Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College, where he earned his Licensed Practical Nursing degree. He then went to Western Carolina University to earn his bachelor's degree in nursing. Last year, he got a master's from The University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

He spent five years at Mission Memorial Hospital in Asheville before taking a job at the burn center, where he has worked for the past thirteen years.

He said he's never regretted entering a field dominated by women.

"Just being able to help people in whatever capacity I can, from being able to hold their hand to getting in there with all the blood and guts and gore. . . I think it just fulfills a sense of being needed."

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# Alumni Scholarships

## Association's Gift of \$2,000 Started the Program in 1962



Adelaide Fortune  
Holderness '34



Barbara Parrish '48

**T**hirty-three years ago, the Alumni Association Board of Trustees voted unanimously to give to Woman's College \$2,000 to be used for scholarships in the 1962-63 academic year.

Among the staunchest advocates of the board action were the late Barbara Parrish, executive secretary of the Association, and Adelaide Fortune Holderness of Greensboro, then president of the Association.

The establishment of the Alumnae Scholars Program was a daring act, one based on faith, and Barbara spelled "faith" in big, bold capital letters in announcing the program in the winter 1962 issue of *Alumnae News*. She wrote that the program was based on "a superabundance of faith in the fact that this Fund will increase next year ... and the next ... and the next. ..."

The Association Board mandated that recipients of the scholarships were to be chosen on the basis of academic standing, intellectual promise, leadership ability, character, financial need, and demonstrated ambition. Each application for a scholarship was to be supported by a letter of reference from an alumna of the College who knows the applicant. Area scholarship committees would screen the applicants, and the final selection would be made by the Alumnae Scholars Committee. Jane

Harris Armfield '60 was the first chair of the committee.

To initiate the program, the Committee invited applications from the top 10 percent of high school seniors who had been accepted by the College for admission in the fall.

The first scholarship recipients were announced at the annual meeting of the Association at commencement weekend in May 1962: Mary Ellen Guffy, Norwood; Barbara Logan, Mooresboro; Carolyn Parfitt, Durham; and Joan Sharp, Fayetteville.

With the establishment of the Alumni Annual Giving Program in the fall of 1962, Association leaders learned that although their faith was justified, their expectations were too modest. Contributions increased dramatically, and eight \$500 Alumni Scholarships instead of four were awarded in the second year of the program.

In 1967, the eligibility criteria of demonstrated financial need was abolished, awards became merit-based, and the scholarships became part of the University's Competitive Awards Program. Funds were raised in the Prospectus III major gifts campaign to endow the scholarships, and today they are valued at \$2,500 a year, renewable up to four years.

## Today's Alumni Scholars

**Kelvin M. Barr**  
Senior  
Greensboro

**Ashley J. Brooks**  
Senior  
Greensboro

**Brian H. Collins**  
Freshman  
Raleigh

**Quinn A. Connolly**  
Freshman  
Greensboro

**Catherine J. Coughlin**  
Senior  
Nashua, NH

**Patricia C. Dew**  
Senior  
Durham

**Erica L. Fields**  
Sophomore  
Greensboro

**Valeska A. Franks**  
Sophomore  
Asheville

**Laura A. Hill**  
Senior  
Asheville

**Charlotte E. Jenkins**  
Freshman  
Sarasota, FL

**Kimberly R. Johnson**  
Freshman  
Pilot Mountain

**Robert J. Newlin**  
Junior  
Durham

**Julie K. Olson**  
Senior  
Marietta, GA

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Senior  
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Sophomore  
Columbus, IN

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Junior  
Shelby



**Kelvin M. Barr**  
*Greensboro*



**Kimberly R. Johnson**  
*Pilot Mountain*

The first scholarship recipients were announced at the annual meeting of the Association thirty-three years ago.





# Alumni Survey

Our Membership Potential is Vastly Untapped

BY BETH HURDLE DEISHER '68

**H**ow can the UNCG Alumni Association best attract members? That was the question.

Lots of "I thinks" began to be voiced as the UNCG Alumni Communications Council grappled with the idea of producing a video.

It was January 1994. I was attending my first Communications Council meeting.

One "I think" evoked several affirmative nods.

Anne Hayes Tate '68, then president of the UNCG Alumni Association (and the classmate who had convinced me to attend the meeting) boldly proclaimed: "I think most alumni still don't understand that their contributions to Annual Giving do not automatically give them membership in the Association."

True or not, I thought, that's an "I think" that begs to be confirmed or dispelled. Otherwise, we may be misdirecting our resources and our energies.

I suggested conducting a survey.

At first, the idea didn't generate much interest. The committee was assembled and ready to make some tangible decisions (like producing a video).

But I decided to try again. This time I used an example from the publishing world (my world since leaving UNCG). I explained that one way our publication finds out information about our readers (customers) is to ask, through readership surveys. Then we make decisions on what to offer, based on what our customers tell us.

Further, I ventured, if we asked UNCG alumni, I was positive they'd tell us whether they're confused. And, perhaps more importantly,

they'd tell us why they haven't joined in the past and what may entice them to join in the future.

With a promise that I'd volunteer to head the undertaking and use the same methodology as employed by professionals with whom I have worked in conducting valid surveys, the Communications Council leaped into getting to know "our UNCG alumni customers" better.

The survey's prime objective was to determine whether there is general understanding by alumni that their contributions to the University's Annual Giving no longer entitle them to membership in the Alumni Association. Additional objectives were to identify membership potential and factors and/or services and benefits that may attract and lead to long-term membership in the Association.

The survey questionnaire was mailed during September 1994 and tabulated in late October.

So, what did our alumni tell us?

First and foremost, the survey confirmed our original "I think."

There is still great confusion as to how one becomes a member of the Alumni Association. Only 23.7 percent reported being aware of the change in paying membership dues. Even after an introductory statement explaining the change, only 48.6 percent said they now understand how to join the Association.

Despite the confusion, 29.2 percent said they will join the Association annually or consider Life Membership. This tells us that our membership potential is vastly untapped. At the time the survey was conducted, Alumni membership stood at around 3,000, constituting 5 percent of potential. Because of the margin of error inherent in the survey, we can peg our true membership potential somewhere between 13,000 and 19,000. A true 29.2 percent would yield 16,199.

Alumni also told us why they haven't joined the Association in the past:

- 81.5% said they "feel out of touch"
- 57.6 were unaware of UNCG Alumni Association's function
- 43.5% were not sure how to join
- 78.3% said benefits of membership are unclear
- 28.3% reported dropping membership when dues separated from Annual Giving.

Equally important, alumni identified membership benefits they deem of value. In the publications they receive, Alumni want news about the University, their classmates, and what the Alumni Association is doing for them. They also want to be advised of opportunities for special rates for travel. They want to know about opportunities to attend concerts, plays, sports events, and professional development seminars on campus. (Forty-one percent of the more than 55,000 graduates of UNCG live within a 50-mile radius of Greensboro.) Networking and job-related information are also important.

One function, traditionally associated with the Alumni Association, is class reunions. The survey revealed that only 19.7 percent deem class reunions as a membership value. Further, only 16.8 percent have ever attended a class reunion at UNCG, and fully three-quarters of those who have attended report having attended from one to three reunions.

Two other areas identified by the survey offer potential for Alumni Association growth. Twenty-eight percent expressed interest in joining local alumni chapters and/or constituency groups if available in the area they live. Also, 47.8 percent

reported having access to a computer with a modem at home or the office, suggesting that electronic communications and information exchange may grow in importance to alumni in the future.

This first venture in using a reliable method for determining what our alumni need and expect of their Association has provided the Communications Council with lots of good information. We are sharing it with the various Association leaders and committees so that they may begin to act on what you, our alumni, have told us.

Overall, the message is clear.

Communication. Communication. Communication.

The Alumni Association must find ways to more effectively use its resources to keep in contact with alumni. And if we pay attention to alumni needs, provide them, and stay in touch, the UNCG Alumni Association can expect to grow in the future.



Beth Hurdle Deisher '68 is editor of *Coin World*, the world's largest weekly publication serving collectors of coins, paper money, tokens, medals, and any objects once used as money. She is the recipient of more than ninety state and national awards for writing, editing, and publication design of daily newspapers and special interest magazines, newspapers, and books. During her four years at UNCG she was a member of the *Carolinian* staff, serving as a feature writer, news editor, and managing editor.

# Career Services

## It Works for Alumni, Too

BY DR. ROBERT THIRSK

*Director, Career Services Center*

### **Are you currently in the market for a new job or career?**

### **Are you thinking about making a job or career change in the near future?**

### **Are you bored or feel unchallenged in your current job situation?**

### **Are you still in an entry level job and don't know how to advance?**

If any of these situations apply to you, then the Career Services Center at UNCG is a great place for you to start on planning your future.

In these days of employment uncertainty, economic change, and job mobility, careers and jobs are subject to change with little forewarning. The mission of the Career Services Center at UNCG is to provide students and alumni with a comprehensive program of effective career development and employment assistance. It is never too early or too late for alumni to develop the skills which will enhance their career and job opportunities.

You say you didn't know that UNCG had such a service? Or, maybe you knew about the Career Services Center but didn't know if was available to alumni? You'll be

happy to learn that we have greatly expanded our services for alumni. By registering with the Career Services Center, you receive:

- Three hours of individual career counseling
- Several different skills and interest assessments
- Access to SIGI+ (computer career guidance system)
- Unlimited use of the career resource and employer libraries
- Admission to all career workshops, seminars, and programs
- Access to full-time and part-time job vacancy listings
- Access to career and job information on the Internet
- Access to the Alumni Career Network Access to appropriate on-campus interviewing
- Resume writing assistance and critique
- Mock interview
- Computer employment referral service

The Career Services Center has made a commitment to provide alumni with state-of-the-art career services. Alumni are able to use any

and all of the above services for the nominal fee of \$70 per four month period. And, if you show your current UNCG Alumni Association membership card, your service fee will only be \$60.

You say the fee sounds a bit high? Well, consider that nowhere else will you be able to get all of the above career assistance, including skills and interests assessments, for the cost of the registration fee. Career counseling by a private career counselor would cost from \$50-70 per hour. And, where can you get access to the Internet for your job search for less than \$20 per month? All in all, the services available to alumni by the Career Services Center are a bargain.

The UNCG Career Services Center, located in 205 Foust Building, is available to assist you with your career and job search needs. Please call (910) 334-5454 for further information and details on how to register and take advantage of all the services.



# Brenda Cooper Says Goodbye

She Plans to Retire August 1

**D**id you feel the ground shift January 22, 1995? It was because of what happened in the Alumni Board of Trustees meeting that day. At the end of the day-long session, President Susan Whittington '70 called up that last item on the agenda, "Announcements," and, having prior knowledge of what was to come, nodded to Brenda Meadows Cooper '65, Executive Secretary of the Alumni Association.

Brenda handed out an official-looking document on Association stationery, which the Trustees read in stunned disbelief. "The time has

come," it said, "for me to notify you that I have decided to retire on the occasion of my thirtieth anniversary — August 1, 1995."

Twenty-seven years of Brenda's service to the state have been with the Alumni Association and the University. She served 21 1/2 of those under Executive Secretary

Barbara Parrish '48. Brenda was named Executive Secretary in 1990.

Of course, Brenda is too young to retire. But you may count on the fact that she'll become one of the Association's most avid "volunteers."



## Last Call for Alumni College '95

Send in your registration right away if you'd like to be a "student" in this summer's Alumni College, June 11-15. UNGC professors Ron Cassell and Keith Cushman will be our instructors again, this year commemorating the end of World War II. Their topic, "The Rest of the Story: The War in the Pacific," complements last year's study of the war in Europe.

Although fifty years have passed since the defeat of Japan, we still live in the wake of this earth-changing experience. Come explore the history and the culture of the war in the Pacific through discussions, films, and readings. Bone up before class through two compelling books, William Manchester's memoir, *Goodbye Darkness*, and John Hersey's *Hiroshima*.

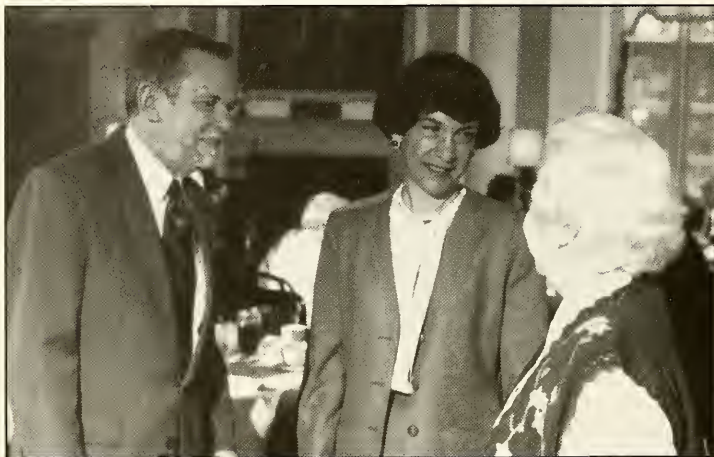
For costs, details, and particulars, contact the Alumni Office.

## A Call to Alumni Authors

A special section of the Barbara Parrish Library in the Alumni House will soon be reserved solely for works written by alumni. The books will bear a specially-designed bookplate, and a catalog will organize the collection by author and title.

If you have published a book, or if you know other graduates who have, please donate the works to the Association. Copies signed by the author are especially appreciated. Both fiction and non-fiction works are sought.

## Guilford County Chapter Welcomes New Chancellor



Patricia A. Sullivan had been on the job as UNCG chancellor a scant two weeks when the welcoming arms of the Association's Guilford County Alumni Chapter opened to greet her. The group said their hellos at a luncheon on Sunday, January 15, in the Virginia Dare Room of the Alumni House. Professor William Purkey (left) was the featured speaker. Chancellor Sullivan (center) met the chapter's vice president, Zell Craven Weisner '44 (right).

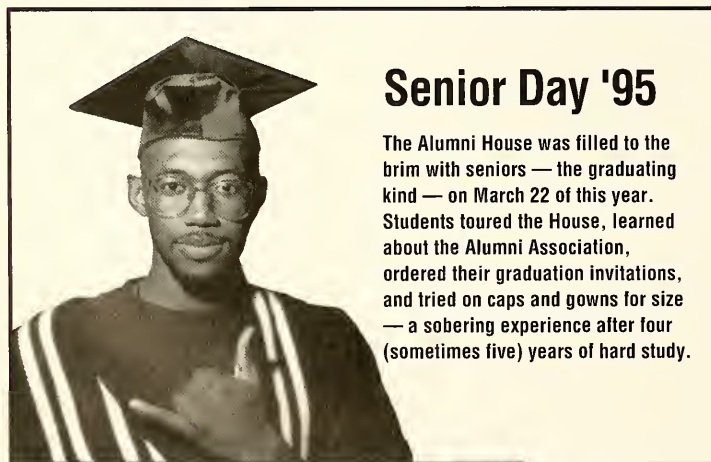
## Health Study

### Alumnae Needed as Subjects

**T**wo academic departments at UNCG and one at Salem College are involved in a women's health study for which new subjects are sought. Led by project director Karen Hixson, a UNCG doctoral student, the University's Department of Exercise and Sport Science and Department of Public Health Education are working jointly with the Department of Physical Education at Salem College to complete the study. The research should provide insights regarding how social factors, physical activity, dietary variable, and smoking may interact to influence blood pressure.

You may qualify to help. If you graduated from UNCG or Salem College, live in Guilford or Forsyth County, are age 35 or older, and are Jewish or Christian, you are eligible to participate. Subjects will complete a written survey capturing demographic data, medical history, religiosity, physical activity, and food intake. Then participants will visit UNCG for measurement of resting blood pressure, height, and weight. The time involvement will be about an hour and a half — forty-five minutes to complete the survey at home, and another thirty to forty-five minutes on the campus visit for measurements.

If you are interested in participating in the project, contact Karen Hixson at (910) 996-4206.



## Senior Day '95

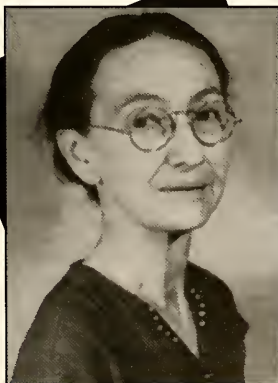
The Alumni House was filled to the brim with seniors — the graduating kind — on March 22 of this year. Students toured the House, learned about the Alumni Association, ordered their graduation invitations, and tried on caps and gowns for size — a sobering experience after four (sometimes five) years of hard study.

## Past Presidents Unite



All but five of twenty-one living past presidents of the Alumni Association gathered on campus last spring. Among the highlights was a chance to meet with Chancellor Patricia A. Sullivan. Left to right, seated: Anne Hayes Tate '68, Adelaide Fortune Holderness '34, Margaret Plonk Isley '34, Phyllis Crooks Coltrane '43, Current President Susan Whittington '72; standing: Annie Lee Singletary '31, Martha Fowler McNair '49, Eleanor Butler '57, Emily Harris Preyer '39, Judy Barrett '42, Lois Brown Haynes '54, Jane Wharton Sockwell '31, Betsy Ivey Sawyer '46, Jane Linville Joyner '46, Ann Phillips McCracken '60, and Betty Crawford Ervin '50.

## Share Your Memories of Cornelia Strong



Students involved in a history project in Moore-Strong Hall would be grateful to alumnae who are willing to share personal recollections of Miss Cornelia Strong — the "Strong" in "Moore-Strong Hall." Miss Strong taught mathematics and astronomy at the Woman's College from 1905 to 1948. Memories of her teaching, her personal style, her home or office would all be welcomed. Please send information to

Professor Robert J. O'Hara  
100 Foust Building, UNCG  
Greensboro, NC 27412-5001

(through March 15, 1995)

- 886 Betty Jo Stancil Segal '54
- 887 Pickett Henderson Taylor '32
- 888 Kay Liverman Bennett '67
- 889 Lucy Horne Leath '47
- 890 Julia Hudson Sugg '60
- 891 Rebecca Hardaway Dalton '50
- 892 Judith Brinkley Berry '50
- 893 Curtis L. Nichols '76
- 894 J. Patrick Harman '73
- 895 Jean Cannon Hancock '39
- 896 Jan Rankin Toole '58
- 897 Rae Dearing Wakelin '65
- 898 Mary Ashton Graziano '65
- 899 Ellen Bryant Lloyd '88
- 900 Carole S. Nelson '89
- 901 Gertrude Thompson Kastner '42
- 902 Sarah Payne Absher '62
- 903 Josephine Okey Phillips '55
- 904 Frances Jordan Wagner '47
- 905 Juanita Stott '27
- 906 Sue Carolyn Egerton Smith '54
- 907 Jane Coley Brown '71
- 908 Linda Middleton Williams '65
- 909 Ruth M. Collings, MD (Associate)\*
- 910 Gloria Hogewood Hines '44
- 911 A. Sylvia Eidam '65
- 912 Eleanor Huffman Harrell '47
- 913 Jean Williams Prevost '50
- 914 Helen Jenkins Goodwin '49
- 915 Annie Lou Blalock Robinson '58
- 916 Brenda Stevens '73
- 917 Linda Maness Garner '67

\*deceased

## Board Action

January 22, 1995

- Passed a motion empowering the Executive Committee to approve the hiring of the Alumni Publications Editor upon the recommendation of the Communications Council, should the recommendation require action between Board meetings.
- Approved the "Acquisition and Disposition Policy for the Alumni House Collection." (Alumni who are interested may obtain a copy through the Alumni Office.) Passed a motion to charge the Alumni House Committee to develop a deaccession procedure.
- Passed a motion to charge the Alumni Distinguished Service Award Committee to study procedures that standardize selection criteria and to consider a separate Young Alumni Award.



# Retired Couples Who Move Still Feel Close to Family

Ties to Grandchildren Can Suffer Without Frequent Telephone Calls

**C**ouples who move after they retire feel good about their relationships with family members left behind despite the miles of separation, a study has found.

"They are able to carry on close relationships at a distance," said Dr. Vira Kivett, Excellence Professor of human development and family studies at UNCG.

The study found that while affection for adult children was unrelated to distance, the miles did have a bearing on regard for grandchildren. Affection for grandchil-

dren, she found, decreases as distance from grandparents increases but this can be overcome with frequent telephone calls.

"Increasingly," Dr. Kivett said, "newer technologies such as fax machines, video phones, the Internet, and e-mail keep families in contact across the miles. Technology doesn't substitute for face-to-face contact, but it helps to allay some of the seemingly negative aspects of distance."

People who move during retirement are healthier, wealthier, and better educated than the general



elderly population. "They're not afraid of change," Dr. Kivett said. "Many say they want a fresh new start in life."

North Carolina currently ranks fifth in the nation in popularity with retired people.

## With Grant, UNCG Will Work to Improve Math Instruction

A \$1.4 million grant from the National Science Foundation will fund a UNCG effort to improve math instruction at the primary grade level in North Carolina.

The project is based on cognitively guided instruction, an approach where teachers base math lessons on what children know instead of writing a math problem on the blackboard and requiring students to memorize steps to solve it.

Studies have proven that cognitively guided instruction enables young children to learn math more effectively. "The data on this is

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very clear nationally that students in CGI classrooms perform on both standardized tests and special problem-solving tests far in excess of students in regular, traditional classrooms," said Dr. George Bright.

He and Dr. Nancy Vacc, both of the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, developed the grant proposal and are co-directors of the project.

Initially, five teams of eight teachers will be trained in the cognitive approach, and each of the teams, in turn, will train an additional forty teachers. Over the five-year life of the grant, the goal is to train two hundred forty teachers.

"This is the beginning of an effort that we hope will become statewide," Dr. Bright said. "That is our intent."

## UNCG Historian William Link Writes Biography of William Friday

William Friday, who led the UNC System for thirty years, is one of the nation's most important university leaders since World War II, in the opinion of his biographer, Dr. William Link, a historian at UNCG.

In *William Friday: Power, Purpose, and American Higher Education*, Dr. Link examines the major challenges that Friday faced in his years as president of the UNC System: The point-shaving scandal of the now defunct Dixie Classic basketball tournament, the Speaker Ban Law of 1963, student activism in the sixties and seventies, the restructuring and expansion of the UNC System, and the protracted federal desegregation suit against the UNC System.

"He was a consummate problem-solver who had the ability to work with people toward the common goal of protecting the university



William Friday

system," Dr. Link said. At age 74, Friday continues to live in Chapel Hill and heads the William R. Kenan Jr. Fund and the Kenan Charitable Trust.

A specialist in Southern history, Dr. Link pointed out that "Friday has the kind of influence that, say, a governor or senator might have, and he continues to use it for the good of the state."

## Geography and German Textbooks Published

A textbook on geography and another on German culture, both written by UNCG faculty members, were published in February.

Dr. D. Gordon Bennett, chair of the Geography Department, and Dr. Jeffrey C. Patton, an associate professor, are co-authors of *The United States and Canada: A Systematic Approach*, published by Kendall-Hunt Publishing Co. of Dubuque, Iowa. The book introduces the countries systematically, that is, in sections devoted to topics such as economic base, physical environ-

ment, historical development, and population rather than by individual regions.

Dr. Andreas Lixi-Purcell, an associate professor in the Department of German and Russian, is the author of *Hindsight: Texts and Images after 1945*, a textbook for use in intermediate to advanced courses in German. With heavy emphasis on popular culture, chapters begin with contemporary German and work back to 1945. This is the way our minds work, he observed, moving from the familiar to the unfamiliar.

## Biotechnology Program Expands

With a grant of almost \$60,000 from the NC Biotechnology Center, the UNCG biotechnology program is expanding to make students more attractive to companies and graduate and professional schools.

Combining scientific knowledge with laboratory skills, the program will allow students to string together the lab procedures they learn into a gene cloning project.

Dr. Vince Henrich and Dr. Karen Katula, co-directors of the program, said they will use the grant to set up a cell culture facility within the biotechnology laboratory and to upgrade other equipment in the lab. "This is an evolving course," Dr. Katula said.

Biotechnology is a hot field that involves characterizing, using, and improving living organisms for research, medical, agricultural, and industrial purposes by working with DNA, the genetic code.

So many students want to take the Henrich and Katula course that the Department of Biology will add another lab section to it next fall to meet the demand.

*Be a Class Notes reporter. Your help is welcome and needed to supplement the news clippings, press releases, and personal letters from which Class Notes are now gleaned. Share news of alumni in your business, profession, clubs, and organizations. Keep track of the activities of alumni in your hometown, county, or region. Mail your news to the Alumni House, UNCG, Greensboro, NC 27412-5001. Please include your phone number.*

*Class Notes lists alumni in the year their first degree was earned at UNCG. Information in parentheses indicates an advanced degree from UNCG. A "C" following a class date identifies a Commercial class; an "x" indicates a non-graduate. City and county names not otherwise identified are in North Carolina.*

## '20s

**Mary Lou Abbott** '28 lives at the Carriage Club, a retirement community, in Jacksonville, FL.

**Lottie Towle Allison** '28 is a resident of the Salemtowne Moravian Retirement Community in Winston-Salem.

## '30s

**Lillie Beatrice Royster** '30 of Eden has written at age 93 her autobiography, *A Raw Oyster Produces a Pearl*. A retired teacher, she says she is in excellent health.

**Margaret Watson Trahan** '33 of Mechanicsville, VA, remains active in community affairs as a volunteer. She reports that her sister, **Alice Watson Miller** '36, died last October.

Sympathy is extended to **Helen Bisher Loftin** '34 of Denton whose husband of sixty years died last September.

**Nancy Liles McKethan** '34 lives at Wesley Pines Retirement Home in Lumberton. She says that her daughter, Nancy, divides her time between France and Ft. Fisher on the NC coast.

**Betty Griesinger Sink Aydelette** '36 celebrated her 80th birthday January 6, 1995, with a party in the Alumni House. Among the guests were six classmates: **Bibbi Yates King**, **Pat Knight**, **Carolyn Weil LeBauer**, **Margaret Mayhew**, **Louise Bell Moffitt**, and **Rebecca Jeffress Barney**.

Sympathy is extended to **Edna Carpenter Baker** '37 of Durham whose husband died in November 1994. He was the father of **Betty Baker Reiter** '64 of Charlotte.

**Willie Towne Curtis** '37 and her husband, Allen, have moved to the Willow Valley Square retirement community in Lancaster, PA.

Sympathy is extended to **Grace Sharpe Draper** '39 of Durham whose husband died January 27, 1995. Grace retired from the Graduate School office at UNCG in 1988.

## '40s

Sympathy is extended to **Anna Railey Akerman** '40 of Chapel Hill whose husband, Robert, died last October.

Sympathy is extended to **Edith Daniel Barrow** '40 of Wilson whose husband died this past August.

Sympathy is extended to **Lois Barnes Hubbell** '40 of Guilford, CT, whose husband died in September 1994.

**Frances Allen Rostofsky** '43 has moved from Wilmington to Westerville, OH.

**Mary Hines Beard Sherrod** '43 lives in Dallas, TX.

Sympathy is extended to **Barbara Latham Bailey** '45 whose husband died in December.

**Margaret Southwick Waldie** '47 of Greensboro teaches English as a second language with Reading Connections, a volunteer agency.

**Kathleen Dellinger Moose** '48 of Winston-Salem says that since her husband's retirement they are able to do more volunteer work and spend more time at Surfside Beach, SC.

**Mary Ruth Bodenheimer Shropshire** '48 lives in Tucson, AZ, and is a professional storyteller.

Sympathy is extended to **Helen Godwin** '43 of Kilgore, TX, whose husband died in December.

**Minnie Ramsey (Frances) Hawn** '49 and her husband, Carl, live in Charlotte and are active in the Myers Park Methodist Church.

**Anelia (Neely) Shannon** '49 of Waxhaw and her sister sold to the Nature Conservancy last year property that is now included in the Mineral Springs Barrens Preserve. The site near Waxhaw is one of the best remaining examples of a remnant Piedmont prairie where bison once grazed and is home to the largest known population of the endangered Schweinitz's sunflower.

## '50

Reunion 1995

**Min Munich Klein** of Greensboro recently was awarded fourth prize in a national story writing contest for seniors over 60 sponsored by the LEGACIES of New York.

## '51

Reunion 1996

**Tempe Hughes Oehler** of Myrtle Beach, SC, has just completed a term as chair of the Horry County Board of Architectural Review and is a member of the Myrtle Beach Historic Preservation Technical Advisory Committee.

## '52

Reunion 1997

Sympathy is extended to **Dr. Betty Bullard** in the death of her mother.

## '54

Reunion 1999

**Betty Watts Reinhardt** of North Wilkesboro has been elected to the local board of directors of First Citizens Bank in Wilkesboro.

## '55

Reunion 1995

**Lynda Simmons** of Boulder, CO, retired in 1993 as president and chief executive officer of Phipps Houses in New York City, the largest not-for-profit housing development and management company in the country. It has a staff of some 550 people and has transformed neighborhoods in the South Bronx.

**Dr. Ellen Strawbridge Yarborough** and her husband, Dewey, own and operate a shop, Dewey's Desirables, in the Winston-Salem Emporium which specializes in knives, pens, tins, radios, books, and hand tools.

## '57

Reunion 1997

**Sandra Davis Sloop** of Raleigh has been awarded a life membership in *Who's Who Worldwide*.

## '58

Reunion 1998

**R. Diane Fary** is retired and has recently moved to Wake Forest.

**Amelia Stockton Kimball Wagner**, formerly of Spencer, was married last October and now lives in Albemarle, where her husband teaches and coaches football.



## CLASS NOTES

**Gayle H. Neal** of Hampton, VA, will graduate in May from St. Leo's College at Langley Air Force Base with a degree in business and accounting. Her son, Derek, will graduate in May from the University of Virginia. A daughter, Stacie, graduated from UVA in 1992.

**Madeline Herman Mullis** '58 of Lenoir has been named to *Who's Who of American Women*. She is a music educator with the Caldwell County schools and is president of the Lenoir Community Music Club.

**Esta Mobles Pait** of Bladenboro has retired as a public school teacher.

### '60

Reunion 1995

**Ellen Tucker Farrior** of Burgaw is active in the Presbyterian Church there.

**Lynne Mahaffey** retired in June 1994 after thirty years as a publications and public relations administrator at the University of South Carolina in Columbia. She now divides her time between Columbia and Garden City Beach as a consultant.

**Jane Recktenwald** and her husband, Charles, have moved to Marshall where Jane is launching a new career as child services coordinator for Madison County.

### '61

Reunion 1996

**Dr. Dolores A. Grayson** lives in Canyon Lake, CA, and is co-owner of GrayMill, a business in Des Moines, IA.

**Dr. Barbara Little-Gottesman** of Rock Hill, SC, is executive director of the Center for School Leadership at Winthrop University and director of the South Carolina Collaborative to Renew Teacher Education.

**Hilda Wright Lee** of Norwood is enjoying traveling since her retirement as a teacher. She is planning a trip to Italy this spring.

### '62

Reunion 1997

**Betsy Caison Best** of Clinton was a candidate for the Sampson County Board of Commissioners.

**Marie Burnette** ('64 MM) recently toured Japan and Thailand with Citizens for International Understanding.

### '63

Reunion 1998

**Judy Coats Kolan** recently returned from a tour of Europe guided by her son, his wife, and her first grandchild. They live in Germany.

### '64

Reunion 1999

**Anne Barrett** went to Los Angeles as a VISTA volunteer in 1993 and has stayed on to teach in both the public and parochial school systems.

**Donna Allsbrook Broadwell** was married last March, and she and her husband live in Asheville.

**Isabel Walker Harrar** and her daughter, **Mary Anne Harrar** '90, both of Wheeling, WV, have formed the Harrar Language Institute, which sends American English teachers to Puerto Rico to teach English as a second language.

**Christy Henkel Mutchler** is administrative assistant at the New Bern Center of Mount Olive College.

**Elizabeth Reed** of New Orleans is office manager of a property management company and a licensed tour guide.

**Dr. Betty James Slowinski** of Milwaukee, WI, is on the faculty at Cardinal Stritch College in the Department of Special Education.

**Jeanne Louise Tannenbaum** of Greensboro was honored as a community leader this past fall by Bennett College.

### '65

Reunion 1995

**Angela Davis-Gardner** (MFA) of Raleigh teaches creative writing at NC State University and is the author of two novels.

**Carol Gardner** of Mebane teaches math and physics at Eastern Alamance High School and is also a church organist.

**Linda Jackson Dhunjishah** has moved from Houston, TX, to Cortlandt Manor, NY. A son, Michael, will graduate from West Point in June and a daughter, Michelle, is a sophomore at the University of Texas at Austin.

### '66

Reunion 1996

**Lucile O'Brien Dole** and her husband, Ben, now live in Oakton, VA.

**Marie Mitchell** of Ferguson, a counselor at Wilkesboro Elementary School, is a basket weaver. Her work was exhibited last fall at the Smokehouse Gallery in Wilkes County.

**Annette Tixier West** of Kinston is a member of the Lenoir County Board of Commissioners and an at-large director of the NC Association of County Commissioners.

## Tell Us Your News

Clip and mail to tell alumni what's happening in your life. If you like, enclose a labeled photograph of yourself for publication in Class Notes.

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**Dr. Barbara Mitchell  
Parramore**

Class of 1954  
NCSU faculty member  
Raleigh

## Medal for Excellence

Dr. Barbara Mitchell Parramore '54 received last fall the Alexander Quarles Holladay Medal for Excellence from North Carolina State University.

The medal recognizes members of the NCSU faculty who have made outstanding contributions to NCSU through their research, teaching, or service. It is the highest award made by NCSU in recognition of achievement by faculty members.

Currently president of the NC Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, Barbara is a former chair of the Department of Curriculum and Instruction at NCSU, the second woman to head an academic department there. She is the author of a fourth-grade textbook, *The People of North Carolina*, which stayed on the state adopted textbook list for fifteen years.

She coordinated a project among six southeastern universities and partner schools to introduce computers and multimedia instruction into the classroom and recently managed a grant that introduced interactive video technology into university and public school classrooms.

### '67

Reunion 1997

**Kelly Cherry (MFA)** is the Evjue-Bascom Professor of Humanities at the University of Wisconsin in Madison. A poet, novelist, and short story writer, she was guest speaker last spring at the Friends of the Library banquet at UNCG.

### '68

Reunion 1998

**Dr. Carole Annette Ayers** ('93 PhD) of Pinnacle teaches social studies at Gentry Middle School in Mount Airy and is a part-time instructor at Surry Community College.

### '69

Reunion 1999

**Annette Rae Hodgins** of Randolph County is on the board of directors of the National Tunis Sheep Registry, an endangered breed of sheep which she raises. She also is a volunteer firefighter and a certified emergency medical technician.

**Phyllis Smith Lupton** of Thomasville is assistant principal of Thomasville Primary School.

## Marriage

**Judith S. Johnson** and William C. Henderson, 7-9-94

### '70

Reunion 1995

**Anne Edwards Fuller** lives in Salisbury.

**Elizabeth Alexander Patram** lives in Kings Mountain.

**Sarah Coble Simmons** of Round Rock, TX, has earned a PhD from the University of Texas at Austin. Dr. Simmons is a native of Laurinburg and plans soon to return to North Carolina.

**Linda Stipe** was Principal of the Year in Pender County.

## Marriage

**Gloria J. Lisboa** and Ed Jordan, 7-23-94

### '71

Reunion 1996

**Dr. Frances F. Jones** ('78 EdD) of the UNCG faculty is president-elect of the Piedmont Horizons Education Consortium.

**Dr. Carol Lee Saffioti-Hughes** is associate chair of the Department of English at the University of Wisconsin at Parkside, where she also serves as writing coordinator. Her poem, "Expresso," was included in *Unsettling America: An Anthology of Contemporary Multicultural Poetry* by Penguin Books.

**Dr. Jo Watts Williams** (MEd, EdD '73), former vice president for development at Elon College, is now special assistant to the college president.

### '72

Reunion 1997

**Katherine Vanderford Roberson** was Burlington's Teacher of the Year.

### '73

Reunion 1998

**Carole Marshall Madan** was director of the 1994 Minneapolis Writers Workshop Conference.

**Dr. Barbara Todd** ('75 MEd, '84 PhD) has been named an assistant superintendent of the Yadkin County School System.

### '74

Reunion 1999

**Ronald E. Creech** of Greensboro, president and CEO of First Copy Corp., recently received his PhD in institutional technology from Virginia Tech.

**Janet Wike Smith** '84 MBA is senior vice president/group executive of Wachovia Operational Services Corp. in Winston-Salem.

**Donna Friesen Wilson** teaches elementary physical education in Colorado Springs, CO, and owns Volley Novelities, which specializes in gift and novelty items for volleyball players.

### '75

Reunion 1995

**Larry Womble** (MA) of Winston-Salem is serving his first term as a member of the NC House of Representatives.

## Marriage

**Larnette White** (MEd) and James Phifer, 9-4-94

'76

Reunion 1996

**Karen Anthony McCormack** (MA '78) of Greensboro is assistant director of the Center for Continuing Education at Guilford College.

**Mitchell Ellis Sommers** is executive director of the Community Theatre of Greensboro.

'77

Reunion 1997

**Dr. Phyllis Sage Atwell** of Elizabethtown, TN, is a psychiatrist with offices at Cannon Memorial Hospital in Banner Elk.

**Beverly Alford** (MEd) is chair of the Burlington Literacy Group, a non-profit organization promoting literacy.

**Alton L. Howell, Jr.** is agency manager for the Life Insurance Company of Virginia in Raleigh.

**Joanne Miles** (MS) of High Point is president of the North Carolina Vocational Association and industry education coordinator at High Point Central High School.

**Dr. Lynn Moss** (MS) has been named vice president for planning at Wingate College.

'78

Reunion 1998

**Chris Henderson** (MA) teaches biology, advanced biology, and chemistry at Mattamuskeet School in Hyde County.

**Deborah Kirk** ('88 MM) of Greensboro has been recognized as a nationally certified teacher of piano by Music Teachers National Association.

**Joe Lupton** teaches choral music at Stedman Junior High School in Fayetteville and is director of music and organist at Camp Ground United Methodist Church there.

## Marriages

**Patricia A. Berryhill** and Charles R. Martin, 8-5-94

**Niven M. Davis** and Meredith E. Garner, 12-10-94

**Dr. Julia G. Smith** (MEd) and Bill R. Atkins, 12-3-94

'79

Reunion 1998

**Marvette Pratt Aldrich** (MFA) of Winston-Salem had paintings and drawings on exhibit this past fall at the Delta Fine Arts Center at Winston-Salem State University.

**Brenda Clinard Daniel** is manager of the Dixon, Odom & Co. office in Winston-Salem.

**Dorothy J. Waterfill** was one of eight playwrights featured recently in the New Play Festival sponsored by the SC Scriptwriters Association and Winthrop University.

## Marriage

**Jeff S. Kinard** (MFA) and Kelly L. Brundage, 6-11-94

'80

Reunion 1995

**Myra Morris Cannon**, a math teacher at East Davidson High School, was named East Davidson's Teacher of the Year.

**April Wilkerson Hopkins** and her husband, Ted, of Reidsville are the parents of a third daughter, Bess, born September 24, 1993.

**Dr. Martha Hines Morehead** (PhD), professor emerita of English at Catawba College, received the 1994 Book Award from the NC Society of Historians for her book, *Granny's Book: A Memoir of Irene Flowers Norris*.

**Donna R. Rascoe** is an attorney with the law firm of Richard Schwartz & Associates in Raleigh, where she specializes in education law. She is a former clerk to NC Supreme Court Justice Henry E. Frye.



Dr. James M. Reeves

Class of 1970, EdD  
Surry Community College  
Mt. Airy

## New President of College

Dr. James M. Reeves is the new president of Surry Community College in Mt. Airy. Formerly vice president for instruction, Dr. Reeves, who is a native of Surry County, has been on the college staff since 1966.

At the college, Dr. Reeves developed the career placement center, administrative data processing, and directed relations with local high schools which resulted in the college becoming the state leader in the percentage of local high school student enrollment.

He is active in community affairs, having served as board chair of Surry County Social Services, board chair of Mt. Airy City Schools, a director of the Mt. Airy Community Center, vice president of Mt. Airy Chamber of Commerce, member of the Surry County Health Department Advisory Committee, and a member of the Mt. Airy Lions Club.

## Marriage

**Mitzi D. Bond** and Carlton D. Brewington, 10-22-94

'81

Reunion 1996

**Steve Arthur** of Reidsville works at Dynamic Fitness.

## Marriages

**Laura E. Crosland** and Tom G. Tlusty, 10-1-94

**Robin L. Everhart** and Donald G. Kendrick, 9-17-94

'82

Reunion 1997

**Gordon E. Albro** is in the US Army based in Reynoldsburg, OH, where he is senior medical department personnel officer for the Army Reserve.

**Alfreda Ann Hall** of Upper Marlboro, MD, is software project manager of the low rate data processing system for NASA's Spacelab project.



# CLASS NOTES

## Marriages

**Debra D. Davis** and Randolph Munn, Jr., 11-12-94

**Tonia M. Flynt** and Steven D. Russell, 10-8-94

## '83

Reunion 1998

**John F. Abe** is a Navy Petty Officer First Class and recently graduated from the Field Medical Service School at Camp Lejeune.

**John Jordan**, director of music and organist at St. Andrews Covenant Presbyterian Church in Wilmington, served as honorary assistant organist at Bristol Cathedral in England during the 1993-94 academic year. He will present an invited solo recital at King's College Chapel in Cambridge, England, in May.

**Dr. John Y. Powell** (PhD) has been appointed to the state Advisory Committee on Family-Centered Services. He is an associate professor in the School of Social Work at East Carolina University.

## Marriage

**Timothy S. Harris** and Tonya G. Brown, 9-24-94

## '84

Reunion 1999

**M. James McKee III** (MBA) is a consultant in the corporate compensation plans division of W.E. Stanley & Co. in High Point.

## Marriages

**Suzanne B. Brown** and Paul V. Ditulio, 8-13-94

**Barbara Arthur Dishman** of Reidsville was married in 1993.

**Robin G. Howard** and Kurt A. Speckhart, 10-28-94

**Kevin A. Robinson** and Sandra L. McKinney, 9-24-94

**Davis Swaim** and Sherry A. Garber, 3-26-94

## '85

Reunion 1995

**Dr. Sidney Blake**, an internal medicine physician, has joined Randolph Medical Associates in Asheboro.

**David M. Blackmon** is a vice president and mortgage loan officer in Wachovia's corporate loan division.

**Nancy Hackett Blevins** is an accountant with Oakwood Mobile Homes in Greensboro.

**Carter Bradley** ('91 MM) is Teacher of the Year at Aycock Middle School in Greensboro and a freelance violinist who performs with the Greensboro and Salisbury symphony orchestras.

**David Dewey** is head basketball coach at South Johnston High School in Four Oaks.

**Cynthia Kay Dixon** is a full-time homemaker in Charlotte and expecting a second child.

**Jerry Sipp** is director of the Playhouse, the community theater in Rocky Mount.

## Marriages

**Carole C. Carter** and Bruce H. Cleaver, Jr., 6-16-94

**David P. Willoughby** and Rebecca Carmichael, 12-17-94

**Kimberly M. Wylie** and Steven M. McMahon, 10-94

## '86

Reunion 1996

**Mary Gay Halbleib Brady** of Greensboro had two photographs included in the Meredith College Photography Show this past fall.

**Joan Lannone** of Greensboro is associate director of nursing education at the Greensboro Area Health Education Center.

## Marriages

**Pameal K. Aman** and Dennis W. Brame, 12-3-94

**Charles B. Keegan Jr.** and Dana Carbaugh, 7-16-94

**Jean K. Getsee** and Gerard E. Moy, 11-5-94

## '87

Reunion 1997

**Leanne M. Alderson**, a Navy Seaman, recently graduated from Basic Electronics Technician School in Orlando, FL.

**Michael R. Lewis**, stationed with the Army in Wurzburg, Germany, was selected Army European Photographer of the Year.

**Johnnie E. Sanders** is a district business manager with Sears in Hoffman Estates, IL.

**Kathleen McEvoy-Schufreider** and her husband, Bob, of Dewry, NH, welcomed a daughter, Hannah, in February 1994.

## Marriages

**Carol L. Collie** and David A. Raiger, 9-24-94

**Paula K. Leonard** and Donald E. Huffman, 7-23-94

**Cathy D. McMillan** and Scott M. Hester, 9-10-94

**Sharon A. Tickle** (MBA) and Eric A. Bradley, 10-1-94

## '88

Reunion 1998

**Vallerie Jones** of Winston-Salem was recognized last fall as an exemplary employee by the Bowman Gray School of Medicine, NC Baptist Hospital Medical Center Child Care Program, where she has been employed since 1992.

## Marriages

**Ellen L. Bryant** and John L. Lloyd, 10-24-94

**Anita K. Crawford** and Hector D. Pardo, 7-30-94

**Ginger D. Harris** and Michael L. Wilson, 7-9-94

**Keith P. Owen** (MA '91) and Amy K. Hurks, 7-9-94

## '89

Reunion 1999

**Anna Hedrick Harwell** is a PhD candidate at Duke University living in Copenhagen, Denmark, while working on her dissertation on the Danish composer, Niels Gade.

**J. Mark Horne** (MBA) is assistant vice president of Episcopal Hospital in Philadelphia, PA.

**Jennie Jones** (MEd) of Cary, a physical education teacher, was recently elected president of the NC Association of Intramurals and Recreation.

**Dr. Elsie Leak** (EdD) is assistant superintendent for instructional outcomes in the Durham public school system.

**Cindi L. Milam** is a teacher assistant at Vena Wilburn Elementary School in Raleigh.

**Joe Norred** is program director for WGBA-TV in Green Bay, WI.

**Leslie King McDade** of Hickory is with the RE/MAX real estate agency there.

**Amy Watson**, youth minister with First Baptist Church in Morristown, NJ, will graduate from Princeton Theological Seminary in May.

## Marriages

**Alexander L. Aydtlett** and Holli S. Elliott, 12-31-94

**Pamela R. Dingle** and Decric H. Robinson, 10-29-94

**Louanna Bishop Doherty** and David Buck, 12-16-94

'90

Reunion 1995

**Dr. Margaret Holmes** (EdD) of Mars Hill is assistant professor of physical education at Mars Hill College.

**John N. Ogburn** (MPA), operations officer for the city of Archdale, has been elected to the board of directors of the Randolph County Economic Development Corp.

**Dr. Robin Kowalski** (PhD) is assistant professor of psychology at Western Carolina University.

**Michael and Jamie Press Lacey**, who were married in 1992, live in Elkridge, MD.

**Vicki O. Morrow** of Westfield was one of twenty North Carolinians to receive a UNC Board of Governors Medical Scholarship. She is in medical school at East Carolina University.

## Marriages

**Lori A. Atkinson** and James D. Murphy, 12-17-94

**Sonya J. Booze** and Charles C. Ingram, 1-7-95

**Scott D. Harrington** and Dawne Van Poucke, 12-3-94

**Kimberly D. Jacobs** and Garth E. McGillewie, Jr., 11-19-94

**Michelle A. Kruger** and Christopher J. Wood, 9-24-94

**Shannon S. Miller** and Eric T. Hice, 1-7-95

**Elizabeth L. Proctor** and James C. Gaither, Jr., 9-17-94

**Catherine A. Polczynski** and Bruce M. Atkinson, 7-24-94

**Kimberly A. Sullivan** and Larry B. Bishop, Jr., 12-11-94

**Christopher K. Smith** and Carol D. Summers, 6-4-94

'91

**Mark S. Johnson** is a banking officer with Wachovia, specializing in mortgage loans.

**Robert A. Martin** is a computer room manager with Wachovia Operational Services Corp.

**Sue Knight Webster** is a personnel officer of Wachovia Bank.

## Marriages

**Kristime M. Anderson** and **Kenneth B. Martin**, 10-1-94

**Angela G. Brown** and L. Leon Puckett, 8-13-94

**Carolyn Dixon-Richmond** and Terrece D. Coates, 9-17-94

**Melanie Hodgins** and Bill Garrot, 6-25-94

**Delydia J. Haynes** and Everett W. Meadows, 8-6-94

**Tara R. Kimbrough** and Jason S. London, 7-23-94

**Raymond S. Ledford** and Katherine A. Lipscomb, 10-1-94

**Kim N. Overton** and Matthew B. Odom, 1-14-94

**Gerald L. Palladino** and Leslie A. Frettoloso, 9-24-94

**Darla M. Patterson** and Bennett D. Gross, Jr., 8-20-94

**Melissa A. Powell** and Frank W. Leak, Jr., 8-10-94

'92

Reunion 1997

**Russell K. Juhl** is a Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class and recently did a tour of duty aboard the destroyer USS Caron in the Caribbean.

## Marriages

**Susan K. Angell** and Michael E. Jones, 8-6-94



**Vivian Armstrong**

Class of 1994  
Registrar,  
UNCG Continuing Education  
Greensboro

## An Eleven-Year Degree

Eleven years after enrolling at UNCG, Vivian Armstrong completed requirements for a bachelor's degree in social work and received her diploma this past December.

A mother of four with one grandchild, Vivian is registrar for extension courses in the UNCG Office of Continuing Education. In 1983, she told her boss, Dr. John Young, that she would like to go to college. His advice? "Well, go."

Vivian took her first classes in the spring of 1984. "I haven't taken a lunch hour since," she said. She continued to work full-time and skipped lunch to make up the hour she was in class. She also took classes at night.

Vivian said that without the support of her children, her husband, and her co-workers, she wouldn't have made it. "When I was down, they would be there to lift me up."

She began her academic career as a business major but switched to social work after an internship at the Greensboro Urban Ministry. She now plans a career in social work. "I like my job here, but I really want to help others who aren't as fortunate as I am."

**Cherly L. Covington** and Morgan F. Maxwell, 9-24-94

**Leslie M. Bercaw** and Alan W. Cline, 10-1-94

**Cris R. Cox** and Wendy D. James, 10-8-94

**Kimberly A. Cornell** and William J. Kennedy, 10-9-94

**Ashley G. Hall** and **William H. McCarthy II**, 10-22-94

**Leslie A. Pearson** and Thomas L. Davis II, 9-9-94.

**Jennifer Britt Price** and Marc S. Hatchel, 2-5-95

**Jennifer L. White** and Andrew M. Gillmer, 1-14-95

**Steven D. White** and Wendy L. Sause, 10-8-94

## '93

Reunion 1998

**Jean R. Turner** is a news reporter and substitute anchor for WEPT-TV in Kingsport, TN.

## Marriages

**Tracie M. Brown** and Jeffery D. Simpson, 7-30-94

**Cynthia A. Fields** and John T. Quiggle, 7-23-94

**Lenore Franzese** and Christopher D. Dolesh, 6-18-94

**Carl N. Haigler III** and Laura L. Jones, 9-24-94

**Tracy L. Lewis** and Marcus W. Johnson, 10-1-94

**Jennifer L. Page** and Douglas E. Cartner, 9-17-94

**Leslie A. Rodgers** and Horace S. Johnson, 7-23-94

**Wendy D. Sisk** and Vance G. Lemons, 7-16-94

**Laurinda E. Tysor** and Timothy W. Krotish, 12-22-94

## '94

Reunion 1999

**Theresa Floom Brooks** is married and lives in Midway Park.

**Raymond J. Motlasz** of East New Market, MD, is with the Maryland Energy Assistance Program which provides relief to low-income families in the winter.

**Jana Harris Tucker** and her husband announce the birth of a daughter, Kyla Lee, on October 10, 1994.

**James W. Palmer** (MM) is band director at Lincolnton High School.

**Tara Wall** was Miss Fourth of July in Kernersville and has been selected as a Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholar.

## Marriages

**Ashley A. Brown** and **Thomas W. Fowler, Jr.**, 11-18-94

**Jon W. Cornatzer** and Tamara L. Hawkins, 10-28-94

**John T. Cox** and Michele L. Toler, 9-13-94

**Stanley C. Godwin Jr.** and Teresa J. Murray, 12-8-94

**Patrick R. Latta** and Julie E. Sloop, 12-31-94

**Donna C. Light** and Calvin M. Franck, 10-29-94

**Amanda S. Little** and Stephen M. Viperman, 8-20-94

**Donna L. Manness** and Jay A. Albright, 7-23-94

**Yen Hoang Nguyen** and Russell W. Rudow 8-6-94

**Melanie J. Pierce** and Daniel C. Kennedy, 12-10-94

**Laura D. Pleasants** and Kevin A. Shelton, 7-23-94

## Deaths

**Annie Ben Coulter** '19C of Harmony died in October at age 94.

**Willie Smith McKinney** '20 of the Triad United Methodist Nursing Home in Winston-Salem died July 31. She was 95.

**Lela Wade Phillips**, formerly of Greensboro, died at age 94 in the Methodist Home in Charlotte.

**Katherine Alberta Millsaps** '21 died last November at age 95 at the Friends Home in Greensboro.

**Pearl Taylor Irwin** '23 died at her home in Greensboro on February 3 at age 95. Survivors include a daughter, **Doris Irwin Arnold** '53 of Greensboro.

**Myrtle Williams Foster** '25C died at age 90 at the Masonic and Eastern Star Home in Greensboro.

**Margaret Lyon McIntosh** '26, formerly of Creedmoor, died in August at the Williamsburg (KY) Nursing Home.

**Mary Elise Whisnant** '26 of Raleigh died this past August.

**Clyde Halsey Collins** died July 15 at her home in Sparta. She was 89.

**Clementine Norris** '28 of Gastonia died last November 8.

**Frances Cochran Cobb** '29C of Decatur, GA, died last October.

**Louise Parker McNeill** '29 of Norwood died last September.

**Phyllis Smith King** '30x of Hartsville, SC, died January 4. Survivors include a sister, **Mildred Smith** '41 of Kittrell.

**Kathleen Cox** '31 of Reidsville died this past October.

**Cornelia Harrelson Shell Paysour** '31 of Rock Hill, SC, died this past August.

**Cornelia McKimmon Trott** '31 of Raleigh died this past August.

**Annie Hancock Wilson** '31 of Kannapolis has died.

**Anna Wooding Winstead Murray** '32 of Roxboro died this past August.

**Edna Reams Speed** '32 of Oxford died January 1.

**Evelyn Ennett Benner** '33 died this past August in Durham.

**Edna Saylor Martin** '33 died at her home in Pfafftown last October.

**Laura Ellen McGlamery** '33 of Haysville died last August.

**Margaret Hammond Paris** '33 of Raleigh died last October.

**Louise Bearer Vann** '33 died this past December.

**Corinne Pannell Woody** of Johnson City, TN, died this past September.

**Mary Rebecca Isenhower** '34 of Newtown died January 6.

**Elizabeth Wills Whittington** '34 of Greensboro died this past August.

**Josephine Robinson Blackwood** '35C of Greensboro died last October.

**Mary Money DeShazo** '35, formerly of Mayodan, died in Greensboro on January 28.

**Isabel Rhodes Doggett Moore** '35 of Rutherfordton died last November.

**Genevieve Whittington Garrou Exum** '35 of Snow Hill died this past July.

**Lorraine Bowden Redden** '35 has died.

**Frances Gertrude Furr Cooke** '39 of Taylorsville died this past August.

**Doris Esther Hutchinson** '39, formerly of Greensboro, died this past July.



**Bertie Snuggs Patterson** '39 of Albemarle died this past August.

**Jeanette Flowe Tunstall** '39 of Greensboro died last October.

**Katherine Dawson Chappell** '40 of Browns Summit died in January.

**Mildred Conrad Shoaf** '40 of Thomasville died last October.

**Ruth O'Connor Andrews** '42 of Amarillo, TX, died last October.

**Helen Marlow Campbell** '42, formerly of Taylorsville, died last September.

**Martha Osborne Wurst** '42 of Asheville died last July.

**Alice Marie Parker Bunce** '45 died in March 1993.

**Kathleen White Woodard** '45 of Conway died last September.

**Mary Jane L. Miles** '47 of Greensboro died January 27.

**Faela Robinson Backer** '48 of Greensboro died last September.

**Frances Woodall Beeson** '50 of Raleigh has died.

**Nellie Jones Clary** '50 of Davidson County died February 9.

**Robert D. Ayers** ('51 MEd) of Pleasant Garden died last August.

**Dr. James Leonard Calloway, Jr.** ('53 MEd) of Jacksonville died last September.

**Helen Maynard Sluder** '56 of Charlotte died this past August.

**Dorothy Barrier Greene** '57 ('68 MA) of Greensboro died January 12. Survivors include a sister,

**Katherine Barrier Bondurant** '55 ('61 MEd).

**Shirley Bates Ludena** '57x died January 24.

**Marilyn Jewell Blanton Price** '57 of Gastonia died this past August.

**Salvatore M. Gero** ('58 MEd) of Greensboro died this past November.

**Kate Baucom Garner** '59 of Greensboro died February 3.

**Jane Gooch Goose** '61 of Mars Hill died last October.

**Arnold Reece Medlin** ('66 MEd) of Greensboro died last November.

**Revonda Owen Clark** '70 of Canton died last November.

**Doris Drye Johnson** '71 of Greensboro died last August.

**Sandra Lee Ward** '74 of Durham died last November.

**Antje Christina Habicht Current** '75 of Greensboro died January 21.

**Roger Dale Oates** '76 of Greensboro died last September.

**Dr. Arlinza Earl Turner** '76 (MA '79, PhD '86) of New York City died in January.

**Bill Ray Burchfield** ('80 MLS) of Archdale died this past November.

**Scarlett Lea Welborn** '87 of McLeansville died last November.

**Tammy Frizzell** '89 of Greensboro died last October.

**Elizabeth Ann Warrick** '89 MA of Greensboro died January 22.

## East Coast, West Coast Reunions All Around



### New York

Four college pals had a "WC" reunion in New Rochelle, NY, last January. Left to right are Frona Conn Greenspun '58 of Owings Mills, MD; Sondra Gordon Goldenberg '59 of New Rochelle, NY; Phyllis Passes Kapiloff '58 of Stamford, CT — check out that class jacket! — and Rascha Sklut Kriegsman '58 of Greensboro. They also met Marilyn Neerman '58 in NYC.



### California

Three former *Carolinian* staffers who hadn't been together since June 1967 caught up on each other's lives last February. While Beth Hurdle Deisher '68 (right) was in California on business, she hooked up with Gail Wright Taylor '67 (left) and Terry Sprinkle Harbuck '68 (center). Gail, now a tax attorney with Atlantic Richfield in Los Angeles, was *Cary* editor in 1966-67. Terry lives in Redondo Beach, CA, and is an employee relations specialist with American Airlines. Beth is editor of *Coin World*, lives in Bellefontaine, OH, and serves on the Alumni Association's Communications Council.



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